

Potential Sources of Funding for Educational Institutions and Projects

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LEADERSHIP RELATED

British Council – International Placements for Headteachers

International Placements for Headteachers is an initiative developed in partnership between the British Council and the National College for School Leadership. The programme is funded by the National College for School Leadership.

<http://www.britishcouncil.org/learning-international-placements-for-headteachers.htm>

NCSL Research Associates

NCSL's Research Associate Programme offers an opportunity for senior school leaders to engage in enquiry and undertake research that will impact on practice. Through this, they will embark on an experience that provides both personal and professional development. The crucial criterion for a successful application is that the work must have meaning for other school leaders, with the understandings / knowledge described potentially transferable.

http://www.ncsl.org.uk/research/research_associates/index.cfm

FOUNDATIONS / CHARITABLE TRUSTS

The Allen Lane Foundation

The foundation focuses its work on a tightly defined group of beneficiaries including amongst others refugees and asylum seekers, people from black and ethnic minority communities, travellers and those experiencing mental health problems.

<http://www.allenlane.org.uk/>

Barclays New Futures

Barclays New Futures is the UK's largest education sponsorship, presented in collaboration with CSV (Community Service Volunteers). Barclays New Futures has more than £1 million in cash awards, educational resources, training materials and support for secondary school projects, where students are tackling social, community or educational challenges through school / community partnerships.

<http://www.community.barclays.com/newfutures/scheme.html>

The Baring Foundation

The Baring Foundation was set up in 1969 to give money to charities and voluntary organisations pursuing charitable purposes. In 35 years it has given over £87 million in grants. Has specific grants programmes concerned with strengthening the voluntary sector, the arts and international development.

<http://www.baringfoundation.org.uk/>

Barrow Cadbury Trust

The Trust aims to work in partnership with groups to build bridges between policy makers and grassroots activity; find ways of identifying best practice from projects to help social change; and encourage new solutions to old problems.

<http://www.bctrust.org.uk/>

BT Community Connections

BT Community Connections offers organisations the opportunity to apply for a multimedia internet-ready PC and a contribution towards a year's broadband internet access through BT Total Broadband.

<http://www.btcommunityconnections.com/>

Camelot Foundation

The following four groups will be the heart of all the Foundation's programmes:

- Young parents or those at risk of becoming young parents
- Young Exiles, newly arrived in the UK
- Young people with mental health problems
- Young disabled people

<http://www.camelotfoundation.org.uk/>

Esmee Fairbairn Foundation

In 2007 it expects to make grants of £29 million across the UK. Make grants in four programme areas:

- Arts & Heritage
- Education
- Environment
- Social Change

<http://www.esmeefairbairn.org.uk/>

HBOS Foundation

Independent charity created in May 2002, invests in local communities across the UK, with particular focus on Scotland and Yorkshire - the group's two main heartlands - through charitable donations, championing colleague fundraising, charitable giving and volunteering.

<http://www.hbosplc.com/community/communityrelations.asp>

HSBC Education Support

HSBC is committed to raising academic standards and they do this via a variety of initiatives, providing opportunities for learning that might otherwise not be available. In addition, they also support schools and educational initiatives with a variety of financial contributions through both formal and informal learning channels.

<http://www.ukpersonal.hsbc.co.uk/hsbc/education/hsbc-programme-of-support>

Make Space Development Fund

"Make Space is a campaign with a clear mission. Our objective is to transform opportunities for young people in England with the development of a new network of contemporary out of school clubs for 11 to 16 year olds, providing exciting places to go and things to do. Building on existing good practice, the campaign aspires to raise standards still further in meeting the needs of young people. Through lobbying, campaigning and development, Make Space seeks to revolutionise the youth offer in this country.

Make Space is a £3million campaign that was launched in 2002 by national charity 4Children, with the support of the Nestlé Trust."

<http://www.makespace.org.uk/home.aspx>

The Nuffield Foundation

Have four areas of priority at the moment:

- education 14-19
- speech and language difficulties
- assessment
- Curriculum Policy and Practice

Support a range of different kinds of activities in these areas: research, intervention studies, development projects, reviews, seminars, capacity building and practical work.

<http://www.nuffieldfoundation.org/>

Paul Hamlyn Foundation

Has four priority areas of funding; the arts, education, publishing and overseas projects, which are mainly concentrated in India. In all these areas Trustees' emphasis is on helping to increase the opportunities available to people.

<http://www.phf.org.uk/>

The Scarman Trust

National charity committed to helping citizens bring about change in their community, in the way that they want. They fund and give practical assistance to hundreds of remarkable people with a 'can do' attitude.

<http://www.thescarmantrust.org/>

Shine

Shine funds organisations working with under-achieving 7-18 year olds in disadvantaged areas in London and Greater Manchester. SHINE wishes to build long term relationships and partnerships with the organisations they fund, therefore the majority of grants are in excess of £20,000. They fund new start-ups, pilots and development or replication of projects. They will also fund core costs.

<http://www.shinetrust.org.uk/index2.htm>

Sutton Trust

"The Sutton Trust funds projects that provide educational opportunities for young people from non-privileged backgrounds. We will consider every project on an individual basis, but we are particularly interested in innovative projects and pilot schemes that have the potential to benefit large numbers, and in new research."

<http://www.suttontrust.com/>

Tesco Charitable Trust

The majority of appeals from local community charities are handled through the Tesco Charity Trust Community Award Scheme. This scheme distributes some £360,000 each year to charities in communities where Tesco has stores. Community Awards benefit charities that deliver practical benefits to children's welfare, children's education, the welfare of elderly people and people with disabilities. Donations generally range between £1,500 and £5,000.

<http://www.tescocorporate.com/charitablegiving.htm>

Yapp Charitable Trust

"We make grants to small charities to sustain their existing work with:

- elderly people
- children and young people aged 5-25
- people with disabilities or mental health problems
- people trying to overcome life-limiting problems of a social, rather than medical, origin such as addiction, relationship difficulties, abuse, a history of offending

We also make grants to sustain small charities' work in the fields of: education and learning, (including lifelong learning)."

<http://www.yappcharitabletrust.org.uk/>

TECHNOLOGY RELATED

BECTA

How to find sources of ICT funding.

http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=lv&catcode=ss_lv_bud_fun_03&rid=57

BECTA

“The ICT Excellence Awards is an award scheme for schools, which aims to identify and reward whole school excellence in ICT. The ICT Excellence Awards were launched to reward schools across the UK approaching ICT in outstanding or innovative ways, benefiting their whole community, inside and outside the school building.”

http://schools.becta.org.uk/index.php?section=srf&catcode=ss_to_srf_suc_02&rid=12922

BECTA – Computers for Pupils

“A £60 million, 2-year programme aimed at helping some of the most disadvantaged secondary children improve their education and life skills by putting a computer into the home. Local Authorities identified as having eligible schools and pupils in their area have been given funding to buy equipment, as well as help and advice covering all aspects of the scheme.”

http://www.teachernet.gov.uk/wholeschool/ictis/computers_for_pupils/

Futurelab

The Call for Ideas is currently open: 22 January - 2 March 2007

“We are seeking exciting ideas about new ways of learning with technology. Our aim is to turn your idea into a working prototype that will showcase the concept and enable others to try it out. Ideas are welcome from absolutely anyone in the UK and we have lots to offer including our team of experts and up to £100,000 in funding to help make your idea into a working prototype.”

http://www.futurelab.org.uk/your_ideas/index.htm

SPORT BASED

Dickie Bird Foundation

“The vision of the Foundation is to assist financially disadvantaged young people under 18 years of age to participate, to the best of their ability, in the sport of their choice irrespective of their social circumstances, culture or ethnicity and to ensure that, in doing so, they improve their chances both inside and outside sport.”

<http://www.thedickiebirdfoundation.org/>

Sportsmatch

“Sportsmatch is a government funded scheme set up to help fund grass roots and community sports in England. We do this by matching new sponsorship money with Sportsmatch funding, on a pound for pound basis.”

<http://www.sportsmatch.co.uk/>

Sport England

Find out about Sport England's national and community funding programmes and how you can apply for funds for your project.

http://www.sportengland.org/index/get_funding.htm

The Lord's Taverners

“Raising money to ‘give young people, particularly those with special needs, a sporting chance’.

- By providing incentives to play cricket in schools and clubs;
- By enabling young people with special needs to participate in sporting activities;
- By supplying minibuses to special needs' organisations;
- By creating recreational facilities in conjunction with the National Playing Fields' Association.”

<http://www.lordstaverners.org/>

ARTS FUNDING**Arts Funders**

If your school is working in partnership with other organisations or community groups there are several funding bodies you can apply to. Contact details for The Paul Hamlyn Foundation (PHF), Arts Council England, The National Lottery – Children and Young People, Esmee Fairbairn Foundation, Ernest Cook Trust, Gulbenkian Foundation, Heritage Lottery Fund – East of England, Clore Duffield Foundation, Camelot Foundation, The Foyle Foundation are outlined via this link.

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/leisure/arts/education/artsfunding.htm>

MISCELLANEOUS**Breakfast Clubs**

Breakfast Club Plus is a UK-wide network that supports breakfast clubs – training and start-up grants.

<http://www.continyou.org.uk/content.php?CategoryID=394>

BT School Awards Speaking and Listening Awards

“This year sees a change to the traditional format and provides two awards opportunities: the Speaking & Listening Awards, which are now open, and the Seen and Heard Awards, launching in January 2007.”

http://www.bteducation.bt.com/education/schools_awards/important.cfm

Global Gateway - International Links for Teachers

“There is a lot of funding support available for schools developing their worldwide links or adding an international dimension to their curriculum. In general, the money is tied to a long-term equal partnership being built, and contingent upon evidence of projects that enhance curricular work.”

<http://www.globalgateway.org.uk/Default.aspx?page=6>

The Prince's Trust

“Through practical support including training, mentoring and financial assistance, we help 14-30 year olds realise their potential and transform their lives.

We focus our efforts on those who've struggled at school, been in care, been in trouble with the law, or are long-term unemployed.”

<http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/>

Renewable Energy Sources in School and Colleges

Lists the funds available and how to contact them.

<http://www.nef.org.uk/powered/documents/refundfs.pdf>

GENERAL FUNDRAISING

Charities Aid Foundation

www.cafonline.org

FunderFinder

Software for; searching for; grants from; trusts and companies for organizations and individuals.

www.funderfinder.org.uk

Fundraising UK website

Central website source of links and news on fundraising in the UK.

www.fundraising.co.uk

Government Funding

Access points for grants for the voluntary and community sectors. Specific funders include:

- Cabinet Office
- Department for Communities and Local Government
- Department for Education and Skills
- Department of Health
- Home Office
- Ministry of Defence

<http://www.governmentfunding.org.uk/VCSSearch.aspx?WCI=htmSearchFunders>

Guide to where to access funding

There are four main sources of funding:

- statutory funds
- charitable trusts
- corporate sponsorship
- donations

<http://www.continyou.org.uk/content.php?CategoryID=551>
